

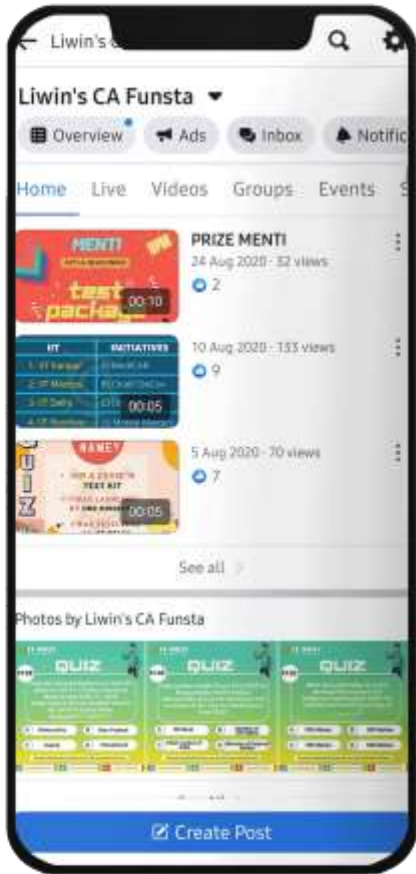


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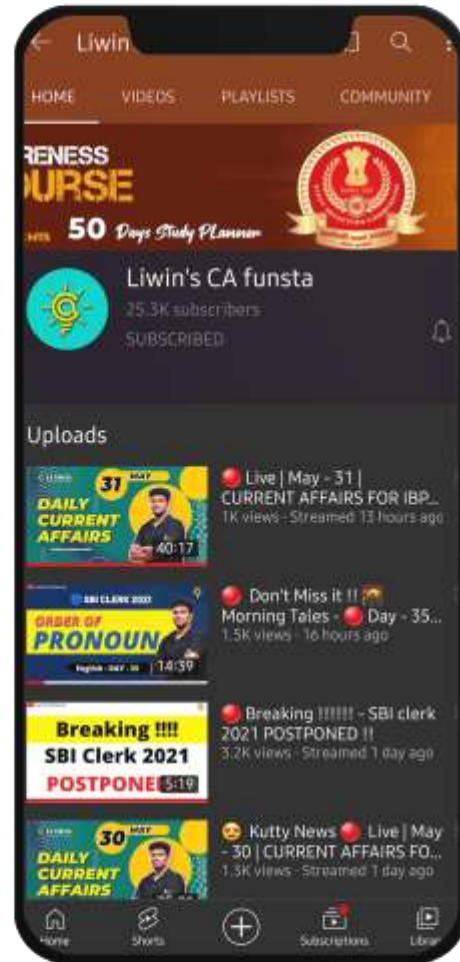
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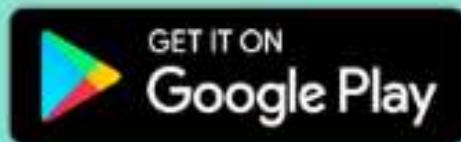
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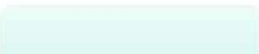


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Important Days



➤ **When was the Headquarters, Integrated Defence Staff (IDS) established?**

- A) 1st October 2000
- B) 1st October 2001
- C) 1st October 2002
- D) 1st October 2003
- E) 1st October 2004

Answer

B) 1st October 2001



Important Days



Event and Location:

- **Event:** 24th Raising Day of Headquarters, Integrated Defence Staff (IDS).
- **Location:** National War Memorial, New Delhi.



Important Days



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Key Role:** IDS ensures coordination, integration, and policy input for the modernisation and development of the three armed services.
- Plays a pivotal role in preparing joint plans for threats requiring a tri-service response, overseeing technology management, and promoting military diplomacy.



Important Days



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Key Milestones:**
 - Formulation of Joint Doctrines for strategic and joint operations.
 - Development of joint logistics and Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) plans.
 - Integration of NavIC with IRNSS, establishing Tri-services Satellite Earth Stations.
 - Raising of five Joint Services Training Institutes and creation of three Joint Logistics Nodes, with four more underway.



Important Days



Important Terms Explained:

- **Atmanirbharta in Defence:** A roadmap toward self-reliance in defence through indigenisation, overseen by the Joint Services Indigenisation Centre.
- **Tri-service Response:** A combined operation involving the Army, Navy, and Air Force, addressing national security threats.
- **NavIC (Navigation with Indian Constellation):** An Indian regional satellite navigation system integrated with IRNSS (Indian Regional Navigation Satellite System).



Important Days



Static GK Information:

- **Headquarters, Integrated Defence Staff (IDS):**
 - **Founded:** 1st October 2001
 - **Chief of Integrated Defence Staff (CIDS):** Lt Gen JP Mathew
 - **Motto:** Victory Through Jointness
 - **Headquarters:** New Delhi



Important Days



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Chief Guest	Significance
24 th Raising Day of IDS	National War Memorial, New Delhi	1 st October 2024	Lt Gen JP Mathew	Marks IDS's role in coordinating joint military operations and fostering integration among armed services.
Joint Commanders Conference 2024	New Delhi	2024	-	Strategic discussions among apex military leadership for joint planning and operations.
Joint Training Exercises (Ex INDRA)	Various locations	Recent years	-	Ensures interoperability and strengthens relations with friendly foreign countries.

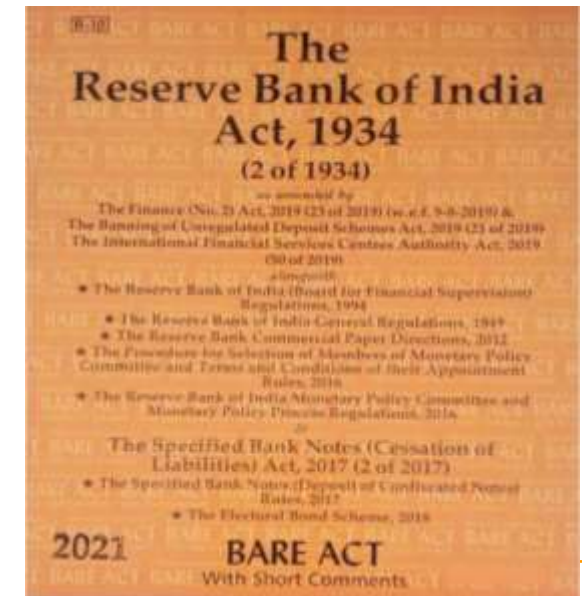


➤ Under which section of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, was the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) reconstituted?

- A) Section 45ZA
- B) Section 45ZB
- C) Section 45ZC
- D) Section 45ZD
- E) Section 45ZE

Answer

B) Section 45ZB



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Reconstitution of the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC).
- **Location:** RBI Headquarters, New Delhi.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **The MPC was reconstituted by the Central Government under Section 45ZB of the RBI Act, 1934.**
- **Composition of MPC:**
 - Governor of the RBI – Chairperson (ex officio).
 - Deputy Governor of the RBI in charge of Monetary Policy – Member (ex officio).
 - One officer of the RBI nominated by the Central Board – Member (ex officio).
 - Prof. Ram Singh, Director, Delhi School of Economics – Member.
 - Shri Saugata Bhattacharya, Economist – Member.
 - Dr. Nagesh Kumar, Director and Chief Executive, Institute for Studies in Industrial Development – Member.
- **The three members appointed by the government hold office for four years.**



Important Terms Explained:

- **Monetary Policy Committee (MPC):** A statutory body that is responsible for determining India's monetary policy, including setting the repo rate to ensure inflation control and economic stability.
- **RBI Act, 1934:** Governs the functioning of the Reserve Bank of India, including provisions for the formation of the MPC under Section 45ZB.



Static GK Information:

- **Reserve Bank of India (RBI):**
 - **Founded:** 1 April 1935
 - **Governor:** Shri Shaktikanta Das
 - **Headquarters:** Mumbai, Maharashtra
 - **Deputy Governor (Monetary Policy):** Shri Michael Patra



BANKING AND FINANCE



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Members	Significance
Reconstitution of MPC	RBI Headquarters, New Delhi	1st October 2024	Governor of RBI (Chair), Deputy Governor, Prof. Ram Singh, Shri Saugata Bhattacharya, Dr. Nagesh Kumar	Ensures effective monetary policy formulation and economic stability in India.



➤ Which companies have partnered to address the home financing needs of farmers in India?



- A) SBI and ITC
- B) HDFC and ITC
- C) ICICI and ITC
- D) IIFL Home Finance and ITC
- E) Axis Bank and ITC



Answer

D) IIFL Home Finance and ITC



Event and Location:

- **Event:** IIFL Home Finance ties up with ITC to cater to the home financing needs of farmers.
- **Location:** Nationwide in India.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Partnership Aim:** Create a dedicated channel for farmers to access home loan services through IIFL Home Finance, enabling them to finance home purchases with more ease.
- **Strategic Focus:** The tie-up will leverage ITC's extensive rural network to help farmers avail themselves of home loan solutions.



Current Reach:

- IIFL Home Finance currently serves over 2,70,000 first-time home buyers, expanding its focus to include the rural sector through this partnership with ITC.



Important Terms Explained:

- **IIFL Home Finance (IIFL HFL):** A housing finance company providing home loans, particularly targeting affordable housing.
- **ITC (Indian Tobacco Company):** A diversified conglomerate with a strong rural presence through its agriculture and food businesses.



Static GK Information:

- **IIFL Home Finance:**
 - **Founded:** 2006
 - **Headquarters:** Gurugram, Haryana
 - **MD & CEO:** Monu Ratra
- **ITC Limited:**
 - **Founded:** 24 August 1910
 - **Headquarters:** Kolkata, West Bengal
 - **Chairman & MD:** Sanjiv Puri



BANKING AND FINANCE



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Companies	Significance
IIFL Home Finance and ITC partnership	Nationwide, India	1st October 2024	IIFL Home Finance, ITC	Aims to address home financing needs of farmers by creating a dedicated loan access channel.



➤ **What was the GST collection for September 2024?**

- A) ₹1.60 lakh crore
- B) ₹1.73 lakh crore
- C) ₹1.80 lakh crore
- D) ₹1.55 lakh crore
- E) ₹1.70 lakh crore

Answer

B) ₹1.73 lakh crore



Event and Location:

- **Event:** GST collection for September 2024.
- **Location:** India (data released via GST portal).



Mandates and Objectives:

- **GST Collection:** ₹1.73 lakh crore in September 2024, showing a rise from ₹1.63 lakh crore in September 2023.
 - **Growth in Domestic Consumption:** Increased by around 6%.
 - **Growth from Imports:** Registered a growth of 8%.
- **Context:** The growth is relatively lower compared to earlier months of the fiscal year, but is likely driven by festival-induced consumption demand.



Future Outlook:

- Experts anticipate potential revenue enhancement measures in the next GST Council meeting to further boost collections.



Important Terms Explained:

- **GST (Goods and Services Tax):** A comprehensive, multi-stage, destination-based tax levied on every value addition in India. It replaced multiple indirect taxes.
- **GST Council:** A constitutional body responsible for making recommendations to the Union and State Governments on issues related to GST.



Static GK Information:

- **GST (Goods and Services Tax):**
 - **Implemented:** 1 July 2017
 - **GST Council Chairman:** Union Finance Minister (currently Nirmala Sitharaman)
 - **GST Types:** CGST, SGST, IGST



BUSINESS AND ECONOMY



Tabular Summary:

Event	GST Collection for September 2024	Previous Year (2023)	Growth Rate	Significance
GST Collection Data	₹1.73 lakh crore	₹1.63 lakh crore	6% (domestic), 8% (imports)	GST collections have grown slightly, driven by upcoming festival season consumption.



➤ Which two companies recently signed an agreement to enhance inter-city mobility in India?

- A) Tata Motors and Ola
- B) Ashok Leyland and FlixBus India
- C) Mahindra and Uber
- D) Maruti Suzuki and RedBus
- E) Bajaj Auto and Paytm

Answer

B) Ashok Leyland and FlixBus India



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Signing of a pact for inter-city mobility between Ashok Leyland and FlixBus India.
- **Location:** Chennai, Tamil Nadu.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Agreement Details:** Ashok Leyland, India's leading commercial vehicle manufacturer, and FlixBus India, an international travel tech company, have signed an MoU to transform the inter-city bus transportation ecosystem.
- **Benefits for FlixBus Partners:** Local bus operators will gain access to Ashok Leyland's chassis and comprehensive after-sales support, enabling smoother operations nationwide.
- **Empowering Local Operators:** The partnership aims to provide operators with state-of-the-art technology and help them maintain operational efficiency and eco-friendly solutions.



Future Plans:

- **FlixBus Expansion:** After a successful launch in South India, FlixBus plans to expand its fleet and network across more regions in India.
- **Ashok Leyland's Focus:** CEO Shenu Agarwal highlighted the company's commitment to providing cutting-edge technologies for safety, performance, and profitability.



Important Terms Explained:

- **FlixBus:** A travel technology company specializing in inter-city bus transportation with a focus on sustainability and passenger-friendly services.
- **Chassis:** The frame of a vehicle to which the mechanical components such as the engine and transmission are attached.



Static GK Information:

- **Ashok Leyland:**
 - **Founded:** 7 September 1948
 - **Headquarters:** Chennai, Tamil Nadu
 - **CEO:** Shenu Agarwal
- **FlixBus:**
 - **Headquarters:** Munich, Germany
 - **Founded:** 2013
 - **CEO:** Jochen Engert



BUSINESS AND ECONOMY



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key People	Significance
Ashok Leyland and FlixBus India sign MoU	Chennai, Tamil Nadu	1st October 2024	Shenu Agarwal, Surya Khurana, Max Zeumer	The partnership aims to enhance inter-city mobility, providing state-of-the-art technology to bus operators.



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



➤ Which airlines completed their merger with the issuance of a new air operator certificate by DGCA?

- A) Air India and SpiceJet
- B) Air India Express and Vistara
- C) AirAsia India and Air India Express
- D) GoAir and IndiGo
- E) Jet Airways and Air India Express



Answer

C) AirAsia India and Air India Express



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Completion of the merger between AirAsia India and Air India Express.
- **Location:** Mumbai, India.



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



Mandates and Objectives:

- **DGCA Involvement:** The Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) issued an updated air operator certificate to the newly unified entity.
 - Vikram Dev Dutt, DGCA Chief, presented the certificate to Alope Singh, CEO of Air India Express.
- The operational merger involved transitioning 20 Airbus A320 aircraft and 3,000 employees into the new entity, completing a decade-long journey of AirAsia India.
- **Final Flight:** The last flight under the I5 designator code was from Goa to Bengaluru.



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



Post-Merger Details:

- **Fleet Size:** The merged airline now has 88 aircraft.
- **Employees:** Around 7,000 employees.
- **Daily Operations:** 400 flights to 46 destinations.
- **Future Plans:** The airline plans to increase its fleet size to 100 aircraft by March 2025 and expand its network within India and internationally.



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



Important Terms Explained:

- **Air Operator Certificate (AOC):** A certificate issued by the DGCA that allows an airline to operate commercial flights.
- **Vihaan.ai:** The transformation plan for Air India, aiming to modernize and expand the airline under Tata's ownership.



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



Static GK Information:

- **Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA):**
 - **Founded:** 1927
 - **Headquarters:** New Delhi, India
 - **Director General:** Vikram Dev Dutt
- **Air India Express:**
 - **Founded:** 29 April 2005
 - **CEO:** Alope Singh
 - **Headquarters:** Kochi, Kerala



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key People	Significance
Merger of AirAsia India and Air India Express	Mumbai, India	1st October 2024	Vikram Dev Dutt, Alope Singh, Campbell Wilson	Marks the completion of the merger, creating a stronger entity with expanded fleet and operations.
Issuance of Updated AOC by DGCA	Mumbai	1st October 2024	Vikram Dev Dutt	A major regulatory step in integrating both airlines under a single brand, Air India Express.



➤ Which company delivered the first AL-31FP Aero Engine to the Indian Air Force (IAF)?

- A) Bharat Dynamics Ltd
- B) Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd
- C) Larsen & Toubro
- D) Bharat Electronics Ltd
- E) Indian Ordnance Factory

Answer

B) Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Delivery of the first AL-31FP Aero Engine to the Indian Air Force (IAF).
- **Location:** Koraput, Odisha.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Contract Details:** On September 9, 2024, HAL signed a contract to deliver 240 AL-31FP engines over the next eight years.
- **Target:** HAL is aiming for the timely delivery of the engines to strengthen the operational capabilities of the IAF's Sukhoi Su-30MKI fleet.
- **First Delivery:** The first engine was handed over just two weeks after the contract was signed, demonstrating HAL's commitment to quick execution.



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Significance:

- The AL-31FP engines power the Sukhoi Su-30MKI, one of the most advanced fighter jets in the IAF, ensuring improved operational readiness in critical regions like Ladakh.



Important Terms Explained:

- **AL-31FP Aero Engine:** A turbofan engine used in Su-30MKI fighter jets, designed for high performance and agility.
- **Sukhoi Su-30MKI:** A multi-role air superiority fighter jet developed by Sukhoi Design Bureau for the Indian Air Force, known for its versatility and advanced avionics.



Static GK Information:

- **Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL):**
 - **Founded:** 23 December 1940
 - **Headquarters:** Bengaluru, Karnataka
 - **Chairman and Managing Director (CMD):** C.B. Ananthakrishnan



DEFENCE



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Organization	Significance
Delivery of First AL-31FP Aero Engine	Koraput, Odisha	1st October 2024	Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)	Marks the beginning of the 240-engine contract to support the IAF's Su-30MKI fleet.
Contract Signed	Koraput, Odisha	9th September 2024	HAL and IAF	Strengthens the operational capabilities of the IAF, enhancing readiness of the Su-30MKI fleet.



➤ **Who inaugurated the Swachhata Pakhwada programme at Rail Bhawan, New Delhi, on October 1, 2024?**

- A) Shri Piyush Goyal
- B) Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw
- C) Shri Satish Kumar
- D) Shri Suresh Prabhu
- E) Shri Manoj Sinha

Answer

C) Shri Satish Kumar



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Inauguration of Swachhata Pakhwada programme.
- **Location:** Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Duration:** From 1st to 15th October 2024.
- Programme is part of Indian Railways' efforts to enhance cleanliness and environmental sustainability.
- Launched the 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' campaign, distributing 2,000 saplings to officials.
- Swachhata Pledge was administered at Rail Bhawan, with video conferencing for other regions.
- Encouraged random inspections, surprise checks, and scrap disposal to maintain cleanliness throughout the year.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Swachhata Pakhwada:** A fortnight-long drive focusing on cleanliness across Indian Railways' stations and facilities.
- **Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam:** A tree plantation initiative promoting environmental awareness.
- **Swachhata Hi Seva (SHS) 2024:** A special campaign for the 10th anniversary of Swachh Bharat Mission, aiming to improve public health and cleanliness.
- **CTU (Cleanliness Target Units):** Specific units in Railways focused on achieving cleanliness targets.
- **SafaiMitra Suraksha Camps/Shivirs:** Health camps for SafaiMitras, organized to ensure the safety and well-being of cleaning staff.



Static GK Information:

- **Indian Railways:**
 - **Chairman & CEO, Railway Board:** Shri Satish Kumar
 - **Founded:** 16 April 1853
 - **Headquarters:** New Delhi
 - **Union Minister of Railways:** Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw



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Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Chief Guest	Significance
Swachhata Pakhwada Inauguration	Rail Bhawan, New Delhi	1st October 2024	Shri Satish Kumar	Promotes a cleaner and greener environment, coinciding with the 10th anniversary of Swachh Bharat Mission.
'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' Campaign	Rail Bhawan, New Delhi	1st October 2024	-	Distributed 2,000 saplings to promote environmental consciousness.
Essay Competition & Skit	Rail Bhawan, New Delhi	1st October 2024	Shri Satish Kumar	Awareness on cleanliness was spread through essays and performances.
Health Camp for Railway Personnel	Rail Bhawan, New Delhi	1st October 2024	-	Organized for approx. 120 Railway staff engaged in cleanliness activities.



➤ Which scheme was launched by the Ministry of Heavy Industries at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, to promote EV adoption?

- A) FAME India Scheme
- B) PM E-DRIVE Scheme
- C) National EV Policy
- D) Electric Vehicle Promotion Scheme
- E) Green Mobility Initiative

Answer

B) PM E-DRIVE Scheme



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Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of PM E-DRIVE Scheme.
- **Location:** Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Accelerate EV adoption and establish essential charging infrastructure across India.
- **Financial Outlay:** ₹10,900 crore over two years.
- **Components of the scheme:**
 - Subsidies/Demand Incentives: ₹3,679 crore allocated for e-2Ws, e-3Ws, e-ambulances, and more.
 - E-vouchers: Introduced for EV buyers to streamline demand incentives.
 - Public Charging Stations: ₹2,000 crore allocated to install 22,100 fast chargers for e-4Ws and others.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Minister's Remarks:**
 - Union Minister Shri H.D. Kumaraswamy emphasized the significance of this transition, aligning with the Swachh Bharat and Swachh Vahan missions.
 - MoS Bhupathi Raju Srinivasa Varma highlighted the scheme's role in achieving India's net-zero emissions by 2070.



Important Terms Explained:

- **PM E-DRIVE Scheme:** A scheme to promote electric vehicles and develop charging infrastructure, replacing earlier EV schemes.
- **E-Voucher:** Aadhaar-authenticated digital vouchers for EV customers to avail of demand incentives.
- **CESL:** Convergence Energy Services Limited, responsible for the procurement of e-buses under the scheme.
- **RVSF (Registered Vehicle Scrapping Facility):** Necessary for obtaining incentives for e-trucks.



Static GK Information:

- **Ministry of Heavy Industries:**
 - **Minister of Heavy Industries & Steel:** Shri H.D. Kumaraswamy
 - **Minister of State for Heavy Industries & Steel:** Shri Bhupathi Raju Srinivasa Varma
 - **Secretary:** Shri Kamran Rizvi
 - **Headquarters:** New Delhi



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Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Chief Guests	Significance
PM E-DRIVE Scheme Launch	Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi	1st October 2024	Shri H.D. Kumaraswamy, Shri Bhupathi Raju Varma	Promotes EV adoption and charging infrastructure to support cleaner, more sustainable transportation.



➤ Which state recently declared indigenous cow breeds as 'RajyaMata-Gomata'?

- A) Uttar Pradesh
- B) Gujarat
- C) Maharashtra
- D) Madhya Pradesh
- E) Rajasthan

Answer
C) Maharashtra



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Event and Location:

- **Event:** Maharashtra declared indigenous cow breeds as 'RajyaMata-Gomata'.
- **Location:** Maharashtra, India.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Address concerns over the decline in indigenous cow population, critical for Ayurvedic medicine and sustainable farming.
- The government highlights the role of indigenous cows in Indian culture since the Vedic period, as well as their significance in Panchagavya (cow-derived traditional medicine), nutrition, and agricultural practices.
- **Subsidy Scheme:** Under this scheme, goshalas will receive ₹50 per cow per day to aid in the rearing and conservation of indigenous cows.
 - Chief Minister Eknath Shinde noted the scheme's aim to preserve these breeds.
 - Deputy CM Devendra Fadnavis emphasized the provision of fodder for cows under the scheme, helping to conserve indigenous breeds.



Important Terms Explained:

- **RajyaMata-Gomata:** A title given to indigenous cows by Maharashtra, emphasizing their cultural and ecological significance.
- **Panchagavya:** A traditional Ayurvedic formulation made from cow products like milk, curd, ghee, dung, and urine, used in medicine and farming.
- **Goshalas:** Shelters for cows where they are provided care and food, especially for preserving indigenous breeds.



Static GK Information:

- **Maharashtra:**
 - **Capital:** Mumbai
 - **Chief Minister:** Eknath Shinde
 - **Deputy Chief Minister:** Devendra Fadnavis
 - **Governor:** Ramesh Bais



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Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Chief Guest	Significance
Declaration of 'RajyaMata-Gomata'	Maharashtra	30th September 2024	Chief Minister Eknath Shinde, Dy CM Devendra Fadnavis	Aimed at preserving indigenous cow breeds and promoting sustainable agricultural practices.
Subsidy Scheme for Goshalas	Maharashtra	30th September 2024	Chief Minister Eknath Shinde, Dy CM Devendra Fadnavis	₹50 per cow per day subsidy for goshalas to help conserve indigenous cow breeds.



➤ **Where was India's first super-capacitor production facility established?**

- A) Thiruvananthapuram
- B) Kannur
- C) Kochi
- D) Kozhikode
- E) Ernakulam

Answer
B) Kannur



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Inauguration of India's first super-capacitor production facility.
- **Location:** Kannur, Kerala.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Project Details:** The facility, set up by Keltron Component Complex Limited (KCCL), was inaugurated by Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan.
 - Cost of the first phase: ₹18 crore (from the total ₹42 crore project).
 - Daily production capacity: 2,100 capacitors.
 - Collaboration with Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO).
- **Objective:** Establish Kerala as a hub for electronic equipment manufacturing, with plans for additional investment of ₹1,000 crore in the sector.
 - The state government is also focusing on modernizing Keltron with a ₹395 crore master plan.
 - Plans to build an IT corridor and a hardware manufacturing facility at Amballur, Ernakulam.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Super-Capacitor:** A high-capacity capacitor that stores much more energy than normal capacitors, widely used in automotive, renewable energy, electronics, defence equipment, and space applications.
- **Keltron:** Kerala State Electronics Development Corporation, India's first electronic equipment manufacturing company.



Static GK Information:

- **Kerala:**
 - **Capital:** Thiruvananthapuram
 - **Chief Minister:** Pinarayi Vijayan
 - **Governor:** Arif Mohammad Khan



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Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Chief Guest	Significance
Inauguration of Super-Capacitor Facility	Kannur, Kerala	1st October 2024	Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan	India's first super-capacitor production facility, marking a major step in electronic component manufacturing.



- In which state did NITI Aayog launch its first State Chapter of the Women Entrepreneurship Platform (WEP)?

- A) Karnataka
- B) Maharashtra
- C) Telangana
- D) Tamil Nadu
- E) Gujarat

Answer
C) Telangana



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Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of the Women Entrepreneurship Platform (WEP) State Chapter.
- **Location:** Hyderabad, Telangana.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** The platform aims to promote and support women entrepreneurs across various sectors by providing resources, tools, and a robust network for business growth.
- **Partnerships:** The platform is launched in collaboration with WE Hub and the Telangana Government.
- **Mentorship and Support:** WEP currently has over 30,000 registered women entrepreneurs and 400 mentors from diverse industry sectors, supporting entrepreneurs with guidance, mentorship, and resources.



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Key Guests at the Launch:

- **BVR Subrahmanyam:** CEO, NITI Aayog.
- **Sita Pallocholla:** CEO of WE Hub.
- **Sangita Reddy:** Co-chair of WEP and Joint Managing Director of Apollo Hospitals Group.
- **Anna Roy:** Principal Economic Advisor, NITI Aayog, and Mission Director of WEP.



Important Terms Explained:

- **WEP (Women Entrepreneurship Platform):** A NITI Aayog initiative designed to support and empower women entrepreneurs across India by providing access to resources, networks, and mentorship.
- **WE Hub:** Telangana's first state-led incubator, focused on women entrepreneurship and providing a platform for women to scale their ventures.



Static GK Information:

- **NITI Aayog:**
 - **Founded:** 1 January 2015
 - **CEO:** BVR Subrahmanyam
 - **Headquarters:** New Delhi
- **Telangana:**
 - **Capital:** Hyderabad
 - **Chief Minister:** K. Chandrashekar Rao
 - **Governor:** Tamilisai Soundararajan



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Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Guests	Significance
Launch of Women Entrepreneurship Platform (WEP)	Hyderabad, Telangana	1st October 2024	BVR Subrahmanyam, Sita Pallocholla, Sangita Reddy	Aimed at supporting women entrepreneurs with resources and a network to boost business growth.



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- **IDS celebrated its 24th Raising Day on 1st October 2024.**
- **MPC reconstituted under Section 45ZB of the RBI Act, 1934, with six members.**
- **IIFL Home Finance partners with ITC to offer home loan services for farmers.**
- **GST collection for September 2024 stands at ₹1.73 lakh crore, up from ₹1.63 lakh crore in 2023.**
- **Ashok Leyland and FlixBus India signed an agreement to improve inter-city bus services.**
- **AirAsia India completes its merger with Air India Express, creating a unified airline with 88 aircraft.**
- **HAL delivered the first AL-31FP Aero Engine to the IAF under a 240-engine contract.**



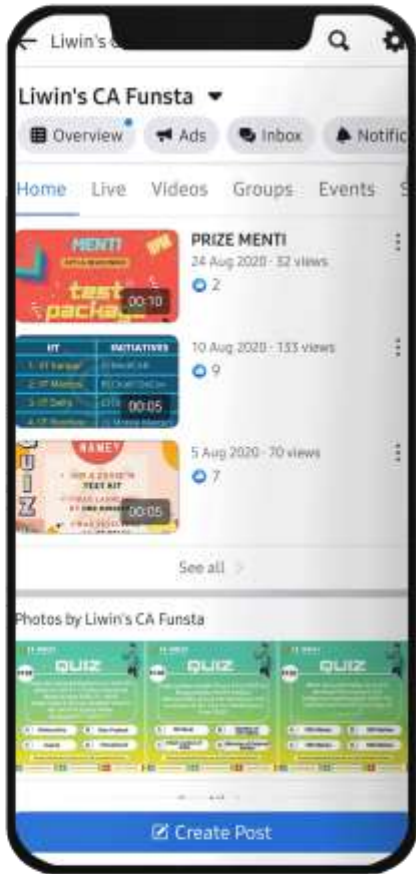
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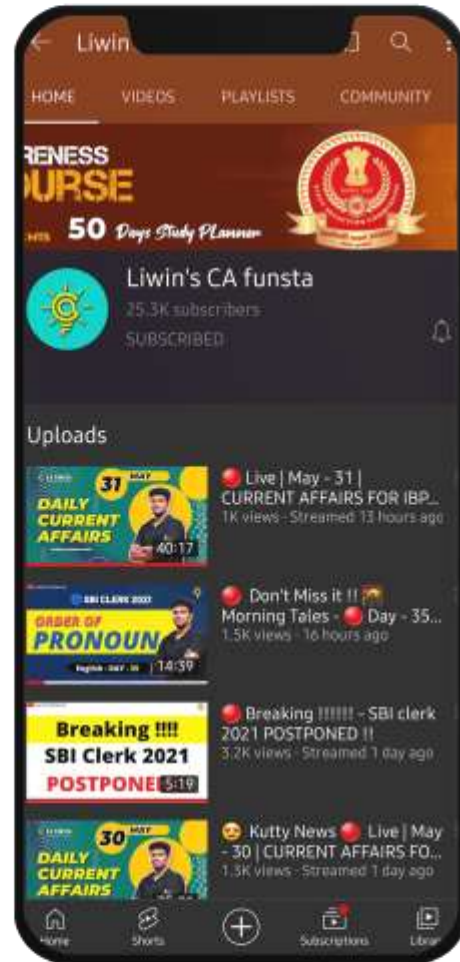
- **Swachhata Pakhwada inaugurated at Rail Bhawan, New Delhi, by Shri Satish Kumar.**
- **PM E-DRIVE Scheme launched with ₹10,900 crore for EV adoption and infrastructure.**
- **Maharashtra declared indigenous cows as 'RajyaMata-Gomata' to preserve declining breeds.**
- **Kerala opens India's first super-capacitor facility in Kannur, in collaboration with ISRO.**
- **NITI Aayog launched the Women Entrepreneurship Platform in Telangana to support women entrepreneurs.**



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